

the Office Action's failure to meet the original requirements of the restriction/election is a traversal of the election requirement and the Examiner has still failed to meet the underlying requirements to make such a restriction/election requirement. Applicants again respectfully request the restriction/election requirement be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above, applicants respectfully request a new Office Action and the restarting of the statutory response period. Applicant further request any further Office Action address the above remarks in addition to the remarks included in the response of March 10, 2008.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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